

### REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 21-41, and 43-57 are pending, with claims 1, 12, 19, 23, 34, 41, 45, and 56 being independent. Claims 23, 34 and 41 have been amended and claims 58-68 have been added. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments. Claims 58-67 depend from independent claim 56 which has been identified as allowable. Independent claim 66 is a system claim corresponding to independent method claim 19 which has also been identified as allowable. Claims 67 and 68 depend from claim 66. Further examination and reconsideration of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

#### 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Examiner states:

**Claims 23-41, and 43-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly being drawn to non-statutory subject matter.**

Claims 23, 34, and 41 have been amended to recite, *inter alia*, a “software product tangibly embodied in a machine-readable storage device.” The foregoing amendments are supported in Applicant’s originally filed specification at least in paragraph [0162]. Applicant contends that claims 23, 34 and 41, as amended, are directed to statutory subject matter. Claims 24-33, 35-40 and 43-44 depend from claims 23, 34 and 41, respectively, and are also directed to statutory subject matter.

#### Allowable subject matter

**Claims 1-19, 21-41, and 43-57 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 101 set forth in this Office action.**

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner’s indicating the allowability of claims 1-19, 21-41 and 43-57. Applicant also notes that claims 1-19, 21-22 and 45-57 do not stand rejected under 35 U.S.C 101 and hence have not been rewritten or amended. Claims 23, 34 and 41 have been

amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 101. As such, Applicant contends that all of claims 1-19, 21-41 and 43-57 are in condition for allowance.

### CONCLUSION

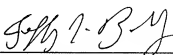
It is believed that all pending issues have been addressed. The above arguments for patentability of a claim should not be construed as implying that there are not other valid reasons for patentability of that claim or other claims.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a formal notice of allowance is respectfully requested. In case any other issue arises, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number noted below.

Excess claims fee in the amount of \$688 is being paid concurrently herewith via the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of deposit account authorization. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing attorney docket number 07844-0621001.

Respectfully submitted,

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